

BibleWorks 10

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BibleWorks 10 is currently the best Bible software program for biblical exegesis and research on the market. This software package combines fast search capabilities, comprehensive cross-referencing, and usability to provide a fine tool for the analysis of the biblical text. It helps examine the Bible in its original languages, investigate contemporary translations, and enhance Bible studies. It is very useful while preparing sermons and lectures, doing a morphological and philological analysis of word, writing academic papers, and Christian books. There are great benefits of using *BibleWorks 10* especially for pastors, theology students, active lay Christians, Christian writers, and scholars. We can say that this program is essential for anyone who intends to seriously study the Bible and biblical languages.

It can be quite helpful for all beginners to find tutorials and videos on the *BibleWorks 10* website <https://www.bibleworks.com> and on the program's "How-To" videos (Online). The videos are designed to help users learn how to work with the many facets of *BibleWorks 10*. They are very helpful in leading you step-by-step through using this software. This great program saves lots of time and has many useful resources.

BibleWorks 10 comes with Greek New Testament texts, Hebrew Old Testament texts and Septuagint Bibles, and more than forty different translations of the Bible, including English, German, French, Latin, Spanish, Korean, etc. This last version just added a Croatian Bible, edited by Dr. Jure Kastelan and Dr. Bonaventura Duda. You can add your own Bible versions to *BibleWorks 10*.

Most of the Greek New Testaments, the LXX, and the Hebrew Old Testaments also have their own morphology versions. *BibleWorks 10* comes with the dictionaries for Greek and Hebrew lexicons and various Greek and Hebrew grammars. It provides different English translations of the Bible, Apocrypha, Josephus Flavius, Gospel of Thomas, Targums, the Pseudepigrapha, Philo of Alexandria, Mishnah, the Apostolic Fathers, etc. You may also find any Greek texts with many manuscripts including Sinaiticus and Alexandrinus Codex. Latin texts include the Apostolic Fathers, Josephus Flavius, and editions of the Vulgate. Hebrew texts contain editions of the Old Testament with morphology, Targums, Modern He-

brew, Syriac unpointed Hebrew Old Testament, the Peshitta, and the Leningrad Codex.

BibleWorks 10 can run on Windows PC and Mac computers. It has three main windows for searching, browsing, and analyzing. The main status bar has the message area, browse mode, word analysis, verse and chapter notes, translator notes, accents, vowels, Qere and Kethib settings. The browser windows enable you to see the text you are studying. You can select and read different versions in modern and biblical languages at the same time. For example, you place the mouse on the top of a word from the Greek text and it automatically pops up a window with a definition of that word. The analysis window contains the word analysis tab, the resource summary, the notes and editors tabs, the context and browse tabs, the Manuscript tab, etc. If you move the mouse from a word to a different word you want to study, the analysis tab shows the exegetical dictionaries automatically changes the word as well. This Bible software enables you to pursue several lines of investigation simultaneously, keeping multiple searches open at the same time. It is possible to move the mouse over the chosen text and also to jump to all relevant sections in the *BibleWorks 10* collection of grammatical and lexical references. *BibleWorks 10* has a column screen layout and allows customized coloring schemes for ease of use.

The parallel versions window can put the Bibles in parallel columns, for example the Hebrew and Greek texts in linked parallel windows. It is possible to use a Hebrew to Greek and Greek to Hebrew search function. Furthermore, you may choose any word and get the important information. You may also attach notes to verses and have them automatically display when the verse is opened. It has also very interesting Bible View Picture Library.

Users may copy and paste texts to their word processors. *BibleWorks 10* comes with TrueType and Unicode fonts for the Greek and Hebrew texts. The fonts can be used in Windows' word processors and print. It is also possible to take notes in Greek, Hebrew, English, and other languages and export text to your chosen font. *BibleWorks 10* contains two complete sets of Greek and New Testament sentence diagrams, Greek and Hebrew flashcards with audio settings, and paradigm charts.

I have used *BibleWorks 10* for years, and as its quality has increased so has my interest to use this program more often. It is the best software for my personal studying of the Bible and biblical languages, doing research, preparing for teaching, and writing articles and books. I can say that *BibleWorks 10* is the best supporting tool for it. This Bible software program has enormous capacities. It is the most advanced and complete Bible software regarding exegesis and textual analysis for successful study and research of the Scriptures.

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